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Copies of the listed foreign documents and nonpatent literature documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form. English-language abstracts of the non-English documents are enclosed.

In lieu of a statement of relevance or translation of the non-English documents, an English language version of a search report from the Japanese Patent Office in a

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corresponding application citing these documents and setting forth the relevance

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Respectfully submitted,

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